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SUBJ: JAPANESE CANDIDACY FOR ILO MARITIME CONFERENCE
PRESIDENCY

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1. JAPANESE MINISTER HIROMU FUKADA AND FIRST SECRETARY FOR
LABOR, YUKINORI WAKABAYASHI MET AT THEIR REQUEST WITH
TOUSSAINT (IO) AND GOOD (S/IL), FRIDAY, JULY 16. THEY WERE
SEEKING US SUPPORT FOR JAPANESE CANDIDATE TO MARITIME
CONFERENCE PRESIDENCY, MR. TSURUMI.

2. JAPANESE WERE TOLD US IS VERY SYMPATHETIC TO JAPANESE
CANDIDACY -- IN PART BECAUSE OF TSURUMI'S QUALIFICATIONS, IN
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PART BECAUSE EARLY AND BROAD CONSULTATIONS BY GOJ OFFER

PROSPECT OF WIDE SUPPORT FOR TSURUMI, AND IN PART BECAUSE OF OUR CONCERN THAT COMPETING CANDIDATES FROM IMEC OPENS POSSIBILITY OF SUCCESSFUL POLISH CANDIDACY. JAPANESE WERE TOLD OF US APPROACH TO GON TO ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION OF NORWEGIAN CANDIDACY AND THAT GON AGREED TO CONSIDER OUR VIEWS (REFTEL).

3. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES IT MAY BE USEFUL FOR GOJ TO SUGGEST TO THEIR TRADE UNION AFFILIATES OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT WORKERS UNION FEDERATION (ITWUF) THAT THEY SPEAK TO CHARLES BLYTHE ON THE SUBJECT SINCE BLYTHE WILL BE HAVING DISCUSSIONS WITH ILO LEADERS.

4. DEPARTMENT AGREED TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH JAPANESE EMBASSY ON QUESTION OF MARITIME CONFERENCE PRESIDENCY. KISSINGER

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